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Activities of Jerald Kurt ECKEL AN, alias

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G. K. Eckelman takes over his friend Antonin		
KOLACEK's flat, No.182/52 Route Magniny.	Sp. Br. Regy.	D.9543(C)
Attempt by Glathe & Witt (German firm) to		
dispose of stock of Mauser pistols.		D9478(C)
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Section 1, Special Branch Staffpf, Date February 29, 19 40.

Subject (in full) Gerald Kurt Eckelman.

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Attached is a photograph of Gerald Kurt Eckelman, subject of the attached file. It was taken in January, 1939 when he attempted to evade the Customs Authorities at Dong Dang on the border of French Indo Ching.

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urt Nckelman alias Karl Lund

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On October 5, 1030, a cable addressed to the Commissioner of Police, was received from the Commissioner of Police, Rangoon requesting particulars of one named Karl Lund, detained for passport irregularities. It was a certained that while in Shanghai, he had represented himself as Captain Knutsen, and a copy of a Special branch report on his activities was sent to Rangoon on October 7. On Movember 14, a further letter was sent to the Commissioner of Police from the War Department, Rangoon, to the effect that Lund had not awaited the result of enquiries but had left by air for Penang. It was then ascertained that Karl Lund alias Knutsen arrived in Shanghai on the s.s. "Tegeloerg" on October 23, 1939, and gave his address as c/o American Exporters, Room 513, 51 Canton Road, a firm under the name of Louis Raisin alias Raisouin, a Russian born naturalized American Jew whose passport No.175921 was issued in Washington in 1925. He was married in Germany in 1923 and divorced in Shanghai in 1925. Raisin has never been regarded as a well behaved citizen by the American Consulate General. On October 27, 1939 information was submitted by the Special Branch to the effect that a German firm Messrs. Glathe and Witt of 410 Szechuen Road were attempting to dispose of a stock of 350 military tyle Mauser pistols each with 300 rounds of ammunition and two magazines at the price of 28.0.0.

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per pistol. At the time it was also sain that the firm was desirous of selling the stock to some Chinese Government institution or authorised person with the knowledge of the local Japanese Command. One Ricesch, a Bernam roff see and Movert Lee, a Jurasian were arid to be Raisin's associates in transacting for the purchase of this stock. .ecently it had been reported that the deal was concluded at the rice arranged. Lund's association with Raisin therefore gave rise to immediate suspicion, additional impetus being given by a report that Lund was known in the interior as a disciple of Sven Hedin who besides being a well publicized explorer is also notorious for his adventures in international espionage. With this in view instructions were issued that Lund should oe watched.

On October 16, 1939, the Commissioner of Police was requested by the American Consul General to supply information regarding one Gerold Kurt Eckelman alias Sander alias Sanderoff, said to be interested in obtaining passport visas for other people. A report was submitted stating with details that Eckelman's activities gave rise to suspicion. Since that time, a full dossier on the career of Eckelman has been received, which owing to its length must necessarily be summarized.

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Gerold Kurt Lokelman alias Sanderoff alias Sanders alias Mskelon alias Northquist alias Harquist, German father, Swedish mother, married to a Japanese now residing at 192 Route Hanigny, Apertment 32 claims to have been commander of a German U-Boat daring the last war, also claims to have ocen in the Chinese Air Force in support of which claim he produces photographs taken allegedly in mankow where he is in the company of General Chiang Kai Shek and other notables, states that he is private advisor to the Ministry of Toreign Affairs of the National Government. Regarding his career in general there appears to be no doubt that he has made a very good living by constructing codes for various individuals and countries and it would appear that he has actually worked in some capacity for the Mational Government. Probably as a main occupation or a sideline he has indulged in criminal activities but there is no evidence that he has received a tithe of the punishment merited. The highlight of his criminal career came at the end of 1938 and the beginning of 1939 when with the utmost plausibility he persuaded the Anderson Galleries of New York, curio dealers, to part with US.\$29,000, as preliminary part payment for the Chinese Imperial treasures. From the evidence adduced by one

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source, it is suggested that Mckelman is a maniac or a dangerous criminal, from another that he is a spy for the Japanese.

Recently, I'm, an uiries ... ale g...d observation duty, it was escentained that Harl Lund, alias Capt. Knutsen the subject of the first part of this report is no other than Gerold Eckelman, so to the rowing list of Lokelman's aliases may be added those of Lund and Knutsen. In an endeavour to prove this, contact was made with ackelman in the "plue Paradise," a night resort situated on Tongshan Road in the Eastern District where the reason for the initial confusion of the two personalities was apparent. .. hereas the only available photographs of Mckelman showed him to be a fair haired light complexioned individual with rimless glasses, the role of Capt. Knutsen in the Blue raradise showed him to be a black bearded black haired individual with horn rimmed spectacles. The reason for his presence there seemed to be the German refugee girls in attendance. During the early part of the night he was a genial visitor to Shanghai enjoying the night life, but as time wore on and under the influence of several hot rums, he began to boast of many

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achievements, summarized below :

He was a personal friend of General Chiang Mai She's and an a gent for the lational Jovernment. at the deginning of the evening, he was on American citizen out later produced a Swedish pass fort in the name of Mnutsen. He had flown to Jaran and back a few days previously on important susiness. He was also well connected with the Japanese ooth locally and in Japan. He was in the preliminary proparations to terpedo the "Idzumo" and claimed that one Robertson, an American lost his life in the actual attempt on the Idzumo. He was personal pilot to General Chiang Mai Shek and later saw service with the Chinese Air Force at Hangehow and Hankow. A few months ago he discussed important aviation business with Hilaire du Berrier in Hongkong (Hilaire du Berrier a few months ago was reported to have signed a further contract with the Chinese Air Force). He appeared to have an extensive knowledge of aviation, and claimed to have landed his own plane on the Racecourse from Lunghwa on the first day of the 1937 hostilities, stating that General Matsui broke his promise on this occasion by allowing anti-aircraft to open fire on him. (The name of this aviator was then given as R. Hamilton Lewis).

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at the Deginain, of the evening Lokelman adopted a pro-British ettitude, out later stated that the Allies could either lose the war or be forced into an ignominious common within nine onthe, and in any case India would be lost.

On this point he claimed scausintance with a shatma Ghandi and the other India landers.

The conclusions gained are that Jokelman is an excellent reconteur and an accomplished linguist. In the places visited he spoke Gertan, in thish, lussian, French, Japanese and Jhinese with equal facility. He appeared to be in funds and drove a 1:50 Oldsmobile coupe, licence 10.7150 (registered in the name of Karl Lund).

hy Louis Roisin has an interesting origin. It was formerly occupied by Antonin Rolacek, once a member of the staff of the Czechoslovakian Consulate in Shanghai who transferred his allegiance to Germany after the conquest of the former country. The contempt of his friends is believed to have been the reason for inducing him to leave Shanghai. Another point is that one of Eckelman's contacts in Shanghai is a Russian named Baronoff whose wife Angela is said to be living with a foreign naval officer at No.167 hue Admiral Courbet. Angela is the daughter of a former brothel keeper, and was

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employed in a hospital until she in turn commenced to live an irregular life. Further enquiries regarding this angle of Mckelman's activities are in progress. The report that he is in possession of a colt. 38 cannot be confirmed.

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Sunning. February 4th 1939 - took plane in Junuing for Hanol (His peacourt had no visa allowing him to land in Indo-Chine). Vebruary 14 1939 left Rong Dang (frontier of Tonkin and Awangsi) in u motor our for Evelyung and Chungking. (Butck - Chinese license No. 849) hile enroute he disappeared from cusming with two of his German friends, one of them pretending to be a Fofossor in journalism at switching and the other on agent of a Clemen firm in Hong Kong Lust trace. (Probubly motored to interior of China) Haroh lot 1939 (about) it is alleged he was arrested by Chinese authorities in Euclishow Province for taking photographs is prohibited areas and passport confiseated by Chinese. Morch 19th 1939 was refused admittance in French territory on excival at Roug Dang in Buick motorear inability to produce a passport. He drew a revolver (solt's No. 127061 Cal 38) fired several shots started up his motor our and tried to duck past burrier. Soldiers fired at his types whereupon he stopped. The immediately arrested tried in French Court et Lang-Son (Tonkin, Indochine), Merch 23, 1939. convicted on always "Mannos with arm to ... gents of the Law" fined 200 gold frames and given a emspended jail sections of six months. pril 8th 1939 he left Hugel by plane "Derude" for Heng Keng. spril 14th 1939 he returned from Hongkong to Hanoi on plane "Delphinus". pril 23, 1930 he returned Hongkong from Henoi by plane. Skile is hongkong he west to kieses where he tried to purchase a l'orfuguese passport for which he offered H\$4000. He falled to obtain one. pril 26th 1939 (about) he left Hongkong for Shanghai. May 19th 1959 he arrived Hongkong from Shangkai on the S.D. "Cente Rosso" - west to Glomesster Metal whose he accupied Ross 408 under nume E. Spirelmann. (Shile in Shraghai he evidently obtained passession of a false passport.) May 19th 1959 he extered the War Memorial Hospital, Renghesq outeneibly for a rest.

May 25, 1969 Act hospital endically stating he was going to Manning tile Mades. He avidence he went to Manning and believe he went Shanghai phone he is now (Nov. 16, 1988) living at 188 Monte Magning age 58, French Consumies.

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(Note) if, we he cleim. 1899 is the correct year of his birth, as in fact it seems to be from his indurance application and other papers, he was but 15 years old at the outbreak of the world ar in 1914 at the conclusion of which he states he was bleutenant-Commander of a German U-Boet.

The outbreak of the world for found Eckstmann rooming with a family in Boboken, New Jersey. As endeavored to return to his

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family in Mobokan, New Jersey. He endeavored to return to his fatherland on a weedish boat but was picted up by the Austiens and sout to a concentration camp somewhere in liberia from where he escaped by clinging to the bottom of a railway carriage and with the mid of a "wedish nurse, who disguised him as a wounded Hussian, managed to gain a Baltic seaport, where he boarded a wadish vessel as a storaway, eventually landing safely in Germany, He calisted in the Jermen Hery where he studied wireless telegraphy and later became an operator. hile transmitting coded messages he became interseted in codes and found he rould readily decode the messages he was transmitting. He reported the fact to his commanding officer and tried to point out the apparent weakness in the code. ... a n result he was summoned to headquarters in Berlin and assigned the tesk of creating an unbreckable code. three months he accomplished this remerkable feat evolving a code with 16 million possibilities, possible of being changed at a Minute's notice and be emintains this code has never been solved. Leter made codes for Arupps and other large steel mills, etc. then the war ended and conditions in Cormany became unsettled, subject, due to lack of commercial training, etc., found it difficult to adjust himself and accepted an offer of the Japanese Covernment to go to Japan to give military instructions, where he remained until 1957. Jone time in 1937 he came to Chine where he case under <u>Galadi and above</u> served as instructor at the Cantos Allitary Gadeny; was with GHI AG HAI MIEK during the period of his troubles with the Communists; served as edviser to Gill MG N. I Milk and Herebal Chang Two-lin; made special codes for the Chinese Government and performed special missions for CHI NO I exemples: ... fter mouths of preparetion and study of the Tibetan language, he visited these disguised as a deef and dumb barber to sound the feeling of the populace toward GHI MG For I that he performed special investigative work in connection with the Gast Line Delta exception to stop importation and use of optim: he accompanied the Chinese mission to the meetings of the League of Mations at Geneva.

During this extended period, between the early twenties and 1936 he claims to have made many codes for various governments; such as

and special private codes for individuals such as Maharoff, one of the Maharajas of India, ste.

lie made meny visits to Japan, taught languages at one of the Universities, and at one time made himself so chaoxisms to the pelice he was expelled from Japan. Claims to have been married twice, his first rife being a Commun who lost her life in a

rallway accident in Jormany. Later, about alk years ago, he married a Japanese - hrs. Itsu Japanese - hrs. Itsus - hrs

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3) the doute degning, opt 52 (Present) and a house on coint Island sear University of Assighai, Yangtespoo dood; that he owned a very beautiful home on oint Island; that CHI ME A I HER owned the property adjoining his and that some addition DERICAL, shown none domot be recalled, own the next property; that he owned considerable souded property in Kuling; that he was member of the Faiscon CHUB in Designal and often played tennis there.

Cinims to have lost large sum of money in a bank cresh sometime prior to his going to the C.S., (Probably Just Oriental) but that he still had in excess of one hundred (thousand) Shg. I tied up by Japanese in a Chinese bank in Japanese to a throughout and that he hoped to release a part of it thru an anglish bank in siongkong, which had been transferred to ais (Japanese) wife.

becamber 1936, eckelmen became morried. Them eaked whether help was necessary, ande the following stetement: that the previous year CERCETIE'S of LUMBON had approached the GENERALISSIDE - or the CHIMBUR SOVERHERY - in reference to colling the BIPERIAL TREMARKS and enquired how the matter sould best be handled. The reply it is alleged recommended mission for the purpose. For unknown Ponsens the matter was deferred and the decision made later that the treasure : sould be sold to better advantage in New York. Therefore, he had contacted the American Art Asseciation -MINISTER CALLIERIES of MEW YORK and had excounted a written contract with them to emetion the collection on arrival. Schulmen elained that 16 eases, suntaining treasures (mostly jedos), that had been enhibited in LAMDON in 1936, were lying in the venito of a MITEM bank in Bengkong with the Llayd's scale still unbroken. The bulance of the collection, he said, was not the interior of Chine and would have to be transported by Callavall on Gallin. Sallk then the Yesten Freeze to the frontier of Indo-China and thomas by motor truck to the part of Kniphong.

(Note - There are no camels or cornven routes in Funnan that we know of - thore is a guillroad connection from leanante (Kussing; to iniphone) The importance of absolute secrety was stressed. due to the value of the shipments and the gossible dengers involved. . . okolumna stated, further, that certein expenses, perticularly the insurance promium, would have to be advanced by himself, so ne to hide the identity of his principals and that he had no confidence in the individuals in New York who were willing to back him. On the otherhand, if he were to have dependable coworkers, he was confident that he could headle the entire financing himself. provided he could get advances not exceeding 25,000 W. . This was to be accomplised by having his coverier follow him to hongkong in order to bring the 16 cases back to New York. In smount sufficient to defrer any saiditional expenses could then readily bu reised egainst this first shipment (the 16 cesse) as security.

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We consulted the GALLERRES and were assured that there was no doubt no to the existence of these creatures and that the entire natter appeared to be bonn-fide. • saked Sukelmann for proof of his suthority. He nocordingly produced a batch of subles dating back to the original negotiations in 1937 - obviously gammine cables, but all in code. He translated the cables covering the points so wish to have verified and finally exposed the code key enabling us to check his translations at random. They tallied exactly. • realized they night have been sent by a confederate but had no reason to be suspicious. Our attempts to locate those cables since ackelment's disappearance have preven unacconstill.

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hes attempts to sover marine insurance in New York come to actipit, due to the expount involved and his inability to disclose details, he cabled to Onina and advised us that the CHIMAR GOVERNMY itself had arranged to cover up to 35,000,000 U...3, the insurance companies not to be notified as to details until the energies steemer was under may 50 hours.

Tips seemed to be important. ... securitarly rule an appreciant with Eukelmonn to set for him in New York in his dealings with the nerican ... Collaries, and gove him the required cost advance of 29,000 U.S.; in all.

The following is an extract of onkine resolved by Stirm Bros from Schelmonn.

Jan. 5th - From Hangkong: Instructed writer to chift to mark Clipper and edviced that he would confur with the Generalization the following Hostor. On the case day he seek as simulication other confirming the above set edvicing the writer what electing to bring and continuing him to check the Clipper schedules, since these might be affected by the new Booing planes. He added that the writer - after heringing the Hongkong cases to the U. 5. - was subsequently to return to the Far Rast and accompany Retainment with the main shipment via Singupers and Succ. He adviced us not to expect many calles, since the cost was almost prohibitive - \$5.40 a word (understood)

- Jun. 6th <u>ires insplays</u> It shawer to our cable of Jaky. 5th advising his that the Galleries requested two weeks notice in case of any much demands. He replied that he medded an range, that his funds were ample. (s a matter of fact, he never usual the delicries for money withough an could have obtained it, and had arranged for such p contingency.) He again stressed the necessity of immediate action in connection with his personal incurance, because of the danger attending his mission.
- Jan. 5th- From Mongloom: reply to our oable and confirming that adipments were insured right up to varehouse is New York. He added "Hurry herry my insurance going soon dangerous trip". On the same day, however, we embled him that the insurance had been refused, assumably because the companies had checked through their Shanghai office and had doubted the alleged personal nature of his trip, due to his past activities.
- while the eros honogong: which he could cover \$60,000 insurance with constocturers' wife. He saked our 9.4., which we gave him.
- rail th <u>lyon contains</u>. shed us to send presium direct to the insurance company in dongkong, which would issue interim policies, valid until the actual policies were issued by the handoffice. -e cabled the remittance.
- Jun. 18th From Mongroup: divised that the headoffice had refused to accept end that the policy was accordingly ennocine; but that he had covered the same amount definitely with Mayds, including eviation and war risks. We have the policy. He asked to be advised of the exact date when the Clipper, bringing the writer, would depart from Sam Francisco; for he was leaving for heighoung the samt day.
- Jan. (4th From Anno): Cabled that the bombing of Chungking had necessitated a change in plane and that he had been ordered to return to Chungking at once. He instructed the writer to cancel his Clipper reservation for Feby. Let and to make a new one for Feby. Hind. He added that he would report further as soon as possible after his return to the "Tonkin border".
- Feb. lat From Chuncking: Advised he was going to Hanel on Friday to buy gasoline, that he would return to Chungking and of the following week, and that he would leave Chungking with the entered twelve days later. He added that he would bring the entire shipment himself via Singapore and Suzz by regular scheduled steamer. (He had made an investigation into the cost of specially chartered steamers prior to his departure from New York and had discussed this possibility with us). He asked us to request the Calleries to be prepared to remit 97000 to Singapore for freight, but not to remit until so instructed. He said a reply would reach him is Hamed. To secondingly cabled him at the Calleries' suggestion to inquire whether the freight could be paid here on arrival, since the Hangkong cases were not evaluable as assertly.
- Feb. 7th From Manai: He said that he was returning that night to Chungking, where he would depart in three weeks, and that instructions for us would follow on his return to Hamei. He told the writer not to come to Hengkong, but to be proposed to rander him assistance at Franch ports (presumably Marseilles). He added that the freight sould be paid to the agent in New York, but begund us to see that there be no hitch wrising from a possible delay in payment.

reb. Ath - From menoi: Tabled Trequire Indodking duty bond seven hundred V. J. dollars. Menit immediately Bank of Chine denot. Most already two days". Our bank being closed, we resitted the following day.

Tob. 11th - From Lenot: . dvised that rusittance had not arrived and requested nows of the bank through whom the rosittance had been sent. . **e replied that the delay was occasioned by the fact that the resittance had been relayed via Paris.

der 15th - From Namot: Cabled he was very such interested and sould do his utnost.

The land. Origon the frame and bernen competition was strong and that long terms were being offered. He seemed some of the Jerusa firms that were competing. Be suggested his flying at once to lies and Changking, stating that the beneralisation would listed to him at any time provided he could offer the same oradit terms as others. He pointed out that the best opportunities lay in the Tunnon province. He requested a resistance of one thousand dollars and advised us that he was knewing win singepore and these on sprik 5th.

In sont the resistance, but advised against the Sina trip, since we felt that the long terms were then impossible.

or.17th - From manuf: in wired how much our friends could finance, obsting that he thought the U.: loss to the Chinese had been absorbed.

Markether, and added that cable instructions would follow in three works.

pr. 4th - <u>From Annol</u>: tred that it was impossible for him to leave as planted in his coble of March 16th, as the S/S "Canton", which had booked the eargo, had had a collision. (Is checked this each found it correct,. Decides, he said, the "French transit trouble" was still uncettled. He added that he would try to get another boat and of pril and that if he could not make a satisfactory booking in hanoi, he would fly to Hongkong in order to make arrangements there. He said that several German firms (when he named) were working hard to get the Tunnes business and were offering twelve months' terms after delivery. He said that contracts assenting to over two million hagilah pounds were at stake and that we should let him know whether we were interested, as he was going to see the Communications about.

pr. 5th - He onbled in answer to our inquiry that both weemels had been slightly demonded, and that he was sending us a confidential airmail letter giving details we had requested. (This cable was from lineal).

pr.11th - From Honology: Airmell letter advised that shipment would consist of \$46 cames, 193.7 tens, \$4,319 items, and that the insured value was U.S. \$37,700,000. He added that he had traveled more than 18,000 km. over the wavet reads over built and 18,000 km. by air; that his party had been hamsed four times in the Example, Evelence and Examina provinces; that he had been shot at by the French on erriving at the Indonsinace burder; and that in general the French wave counting him unthinkuble difficulties. He said that "in order to bluff the French and the Japa, I have been arrested pur forms by the Chinese, and the most wonderful result happined; they believed it!" He said he had lost 16 men and that he had necidently killed one himself, when he run into his ear during the excitement attending an air raid by the Japa between

tuones and exteng. He sided that ame. Ching hal-shek was then in handkong, and that he would loove with her in one or two days to fly to the denumlissing to get his permission to change the route; for if the latter consented, he would go via the Surse road to sengoon, and would arronge to ship everything by the resident time, so as to avoid the mecessity of any transmipment in Genoa or Jarseille; and that he would then arrive in new York three weeks later (presumably by plane, he mentioned that he had seen the ./o "Ganton" and ./o erachel Joffre", which had been in collision, and that, while the demage was not great. It would result in a delay of 3-4 meeks. He expressed keen disappointment that the collision had prevented his being already under way. He again complained of the high coble costs and saked us not to desand unnecessary replies. ... to his personal insurance, he had asked Silmes & Co. to extend it another six weaks, (he received official notice direct from aloyds in London in due course of time; .

prolith-broad nangeoug. Tred: "wenit manoi 856 extension cloyds policy". Te did this.

ril 14-1 run direct: Unbled reply to delleries' request for copy of therino policy. Atteins nould not decide this himself, but sould have to refer it to heraquerters. In may event, this could not be done until after the arrival of the shipment at port.

r.leth-row cast based for definite instructions regarding credit terms. He said he was mixious to help, but his time was short, as he was going to see the Generalissimo for the last time on will lird. { a spent much time - even in Tashington - trying to solve the credit problem. - e eventually hit upon a possible solution, but were never able to pass the information to hakeleman, as we did not contact his again;

pr.19th-From Named: This cable was apparently sent by a coworker in Munci in reply to an inquiry of ours regarding the disposition of some code books in Camada belonging to Fakelmann. The party answered after referring it to Makelmann in Tunnen. he also attend that other answers to our cubics would be forthcoming "after three means arrivel southport". Then the party addet: "Stop cabling everybody leaving tomorrow communicate first opportunity".

Entructions Follow". This is the last direct word we have had from Eckelmone.

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to shell ouit details as to our efforts to contact him. Needless to say, they were unsuremental, and he did not return to liew York. ... cable sent o/o krem office - Hongkong on May M5. 1939, remained undelivered and we received notice "Addressee gone Chungking for few days. Will retender upon return." A later inquiry brought the asswer "Addressee left not returned" (Note - Cable address "kremoffice Mongkong" is registered unter same "Hongkong Hotels Company".) Our sabled enquiry to Md. A. Kaller & Co. Ltd., Hangkong, resulted in following reply: "Assorting Police Records, Eckelment left Mongkong May M5. Improved gone Meaning, but police under Impression he went classifier. Actual whereabouts unknown."

Olimen & Co., itd., Hongistag, who placed his personal incurance replied: "The last we beent was that Mckelmann left Hongistag on or about the 25md May for Haiphong." (The following is in semmestion with his arrest on Justin - Indo-Chine border, the conviction and sentence having been aspended to a High Tribunal at teris, France;

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Defore we associated ourselves with Gerold Accelment in the eletribution of his consercial codes, we tried, of course, to get reports on him. He could give us virtually no references in this country nor anywhere else but deted back for enough to be of real value.

ar. Bullohey, manager of the Commercial Sacific Gable Co. at sanaghai, replied by cable: " bile here found him trustworthy and hardworking. Always paid bills promptly."

Sank reports added little except to state that bekelmann was connected with the Josmas Trading Co., which had been formed about 1936 by Serold Lecelmann and F. Unger as a pertagrably, with a cepital of 90,000 Standard Chinese Soliars; that the company had opened an account with a local bank in Changhai, and that it was reported to be a satisfactory one. "Both of the above mentioned Sentlumes are German and have evidently speat a great deal of their time is the for Kest". (Ar Schelmann claimed that his company was The Common Trading Code often confused with the Common Trading Code, with shigh he had no connection).

n incurry sent to J. a. aven a Co., Shaughai, in June 1937 by a friend of ours brought the following cable reply: "Geroid Eckelmenn correct Formerly Journalist Married Japanese Expelled From Japan arrived China Mine Months ago Now Compiling Cable Code of Little Marrit Has ... 1888 by No Financial Means".

Another report obtained by a friend of eurs - we do not know from what source - stated that he banking references could be obtained; that the German Consulate of Shanghai said that he was of German nationality; that he was Editer and Publisher of the Common Trade Code (sie); that it was said that he had sold about 10,000 books of his three letter code; that his personal means were necessary and that he was hancet and expedie. It added further that he had a partner by the same of Ungar, who was consected with the Sabtuh(sie) Trading Co. Shanghai; that Mr. Ungar claimed to emble his to make a trip to America; and that he said that Mr. Bershman had made some very good contents in New York City.

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chown to coloring in hundred: Ar. From Dager of the new lub Preding Company, 132 heading fuent Mond, 7th Floor, changhai. ...coording to the above references. Ar. Unger was a partner of Schelman in The Common Trading Code of the same address, although Mr. Louisianan insisted that there was no such relationship. There is no doubt, however, that there was a close business relationship; for Ir. Unger used to supervise the office in Ar. Eckelman's absence. In early retrievely the Common Irading code used the address for lifent Road Louis 19, thraghai. It is our belief that Mr. Unger secording to Ar. Eckelman's files, is of Mr. Eckelmant of Ar. Unger, according to Ar. Eckelmant's files, is of Mr. Eckelmant of Ar. Unger, according to Ar. Eckelmant's files, is of Mr. Eckelmant of Ar. Unger, according to Ar. Eckelmant's files, is

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L. J. Tim - Letter from him constaining photographs (also of morelmann) in Changking. Letterhead of Llays Triactino, but marked q/o Canadian gency, Changking.

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The "France See", Jotober 10, 1989, referring to Eskelment, soid the is assigned to Langue of Retiens proce between at Shanghai to transmit information to General.

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The "Nonolulu Ster-Bulletis" on Sophubur 25, 1997 referred to Rekelmens as a "Commun proce ensuspendent".

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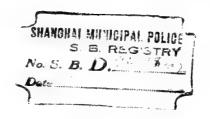
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- 14. Fid he compile private codes for The One Hundred Bank in Tokyo, The Yokohama Specie Bank in Yokohama, The Bank of Communication in Hanking?
- 15. Aid he have any substantial deposit is any bank in Abanqhai when he departed in 1937, and was this tied up by the Japanese?
- 16. Hid he sell 11,000 copies of his Cosmos Three Letter Code the first year? Selly & Halsh, Ltd., Hasughei, could probably give some information about this.
- 17. Yes he well thought of at the U.S. Commutate in Sheaghai, and did he get his visus without question?
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- 19. res Eckelman appointed Chairman of the commission to headle the sele?
- 20. Did the Compreliments know of the egreement with the American part Collegion? Of the egreement with us?
- 21. If bonn fide, what happened to Motelmann? To the collection?
- 22. Is the matter closed or one it still be carried out?
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- 24. Varification of any other debils in our memorantum on Eskalmoun,



November

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The American Consul General, The American Consulate General, Shanghai.

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Sir,

Further to my acknowledgment of your letter No. 811. 11-E. G.D.L.eb. dated October 16, 1939, I have the honour to forward herewith a copy of Police report on the subject together with three copies of a photograph.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,

Sd. K. M. Bourde.
Commissioner of Police.

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SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.

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Date October 31, 19	39	

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Gerald Kurt Lekelman, (German), arrived in Shanghai from Kobe in 1935, and resided here until 1937. In 1936 he opened an office at 133 Yuen Ming Yuen hoad for the purpose of publishing the "Cosmos Trading Code", a commercial code which proved a financial failure, only a few copies being sold by leading booksellers in the city. According to reports, this venture was merely a blind to cover espionage activities.

Eckelman was married to a Japanese and left for Japan in August 1937. During his sojourn in Shanghai, he avoided all contact with the local German community and did not come to the official notice of the Police. He again arrived in Shanghai in April 30, 1939, in the S/S. "Rajputana", and left on May 10, 1939 in the S/S. "Conte Rosso" for Hongkong. While absent from Shanghai he was in Macao for some time, where he attempted to buy a passport from a Portugese subject, but the transaction was reported to the Portugese authorities.

Eckelman was born in June, 1899, at Neu Oelnitz,
Germany. The passport now in his possession was obtained
at the Reich Consulate in New York on December 16, 1938.
Having left New York immediately afterwards, he arrived
at haiphong on January 24, 1939, and on January 26
proceeded by plane to Yunnanfu. Shortly afterwards he
became embroiled with the French authorities on the
border of French Indo-China at a place which is given
without Chinese characters as "Dong-Dang", but which

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possibly may be "Tung Mang" (7). The reason for the trouble was that he had no French visa, and threatened the French official concerned with a pistol. However, the matter seems to have been settled. Shortly afterwards, he again became embroiled, on this occasion with the Chinese Authorities in Yunnanfu, for being without a passport. There he stated that he was an American citizen, and also gave cut that he was the Private Secretary of the Minister of Foreign affairs of the National Government. This assertion was referred to authoritative sources and found to be incorrect, and although released, it was ordered that he should be subjected to the strictest surveillance.

Although not previously coming to the notice of the Police in Shanghai, where he lived an apparently secluded life, stating that he was a publisher and a scientist, Eckelman's activities in other parts of China give rise to extreme suspicion. He is undoubtedly an expert in the construction and solution of codes.

Three copies of photographs are attached.

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D.C. (Special Branch).

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The American Consul General,
The American Consulate General,
S H A N G H A I.

Sir:

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I have the honour to acknowledge receipt of your letter No. 811. 11 - E, G.D.L: eb, dated October 10, 1939, and have to inform you that the matter will receive immediate attention, and a report will be forwarded as soon as possible.

Sd. K. M. Bourne.

Commissioner of Police.

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THE FOREIGN SERVICE OF THE

AMERICAN CONSULATE GENERAL

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Subject: Activities of Gerald Murt Schelman, alias Sanderoff, alias Sender.

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I would appreciate a report on the activities of terold Eurt Sckelman, alias Canderoff, alias Cander, particularly as to whether he interests himself in obtaining passports or visas for other persons. In August 1937 Mr. Eckelman represented himself as the editor and publisher of the Cosmos Trading Code with an office at 133 Yuen Hing Yuen Road.

I have the honor to be, Sir, Your (bedient servant.

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C. A. Gauss American Consul General

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SHANGHAI MUNICIPAL POLICE.

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REPORT

Date November 15, 19 39.

Subject. RARL LUID - Recent Movements.

Made by 9.P.S. Killingoock, Forwarded by

With reference to the recent activities of Karl LUMD, alias MAUTSER, this man arrived in Shangnai on October 23, 1939, on board the s.s. "Tegeloerg".

His neavy baggage had been shipped direct from mangoon, and consigned to Shangnai, c/o wessrs Thos. Cook & Sons.

Lund called at messrs Cooks and accepted delivery of his luggage, giving his address as c/o American Axporters, Room 513, 51 Canton Road. A motorcar was also included in the consignment lists, but up to the present, it has not arrived in phanghai.

The American exporters occupy Rooms 513 and 514. at 51 Canton Road, and an inscription on the door reads "American exporters. Agents for Lund Lines."

Since his return to Shangnai, Lund has not had any further dealings with messrs American motors. red. Inc., but is reported to have been spending considerable time recently in mesers triangle motors, 99 Route Cardinal Mercier.

Enquiries have not been made at the latter address, as this procedure would no doubt result in Lund's being made cognisant of the fact that the Police were interested in his movements.

information obtained reveals that Lund is connected in some way with the well-known swedish explorer and traveller. Sven mEDIN.

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It is requested that a', communications may be addressed officially to the Commissioner of Potice and not by name.

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G.B.C.P.O.-No. 58, Com. of Pol., 18-9-1939-1,000.

From

Mr. R. G. B. PRESCOTT,

Commissioner of Police, Rangoon.

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The Corribationer chilolies,

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Dated Rangoon, the SC 51 Co toper 1930

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Letter No.D9402 Letted the 7th Cotober 1870, I have the honour to state that Harl Lund arrived here from the Straits Settlements by steamer on 1th Cotober 1939 letters not permitted to land pending enquiries. He did not await the result of my encuiries however but left by air for Fenang on 9th Cotober 1939, having booked thence by train to Singapore. He booked his heavy luggage through Thos.Cook & Sons to Shanghai.

I have sent the Straits Police a copy of your letter cited above and its enclosure. I have suggested that this individual be watched, as his hasty departure from Rangeon before the completion of enquiries was suspicious.

Lund has no wife or family in Rangoon nor has he any motor a ency or other business in Burma.

I have the honour to be, Sir, Your most obedient servant,

> Commissioner of Police, Rangeon.

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The Commissioner of Police,

Rangoon.

Sir,

With reference to your Cablegram dated October 5, 1939 and my reply dated October 7, I have the honour to forward herewith copy of a Police report on Karl Lund.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

Sd, K. M. Bourne.

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Gommissioner of Police.

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COPY OF CABLEGRAM

Via Existern

COMMISSIONER OF POLICE
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> COMMISSIONER OF POLICE SHANGHAI

5. 1, Special Branch, October 6. 1939.

Karl Lund.

With reference to the cable from the Commissioner of Police Rangoon, enquiries made at the Swedish Consulate General s'ow that this person did not register there and is unknown to the Officials. According to the passport office of H.B.M. Consulate no visas were issued on November 19, 1938, and it will entail considerable time to ascertain whether or not a visa was issued to Lund. Lund visited Shanghai in 1938 and again in 1939, leaving on the S.S. AJAX on September 3. 1939. In August, 1932, he had business dealings with American Motors Fed. Inc., 444 Avenue Foch, concerning the purchase of 12 trucks but the deal failed to materialize owing to the fact that American Motors were unable to guarantee safe delivery in Rangoon. Meanwhile he purchased two passenger buses from Harking Importers & Exporters, 12 The Bund and one from Albert Motors. 67 Avenue Roi Albert. In is dealings with American Motors, he represented himself as Captain Knutsen, stating that his wife and family were residing in Rangoon where he conducted a motor agency. He stated that he had seen service in the Chinese Air Force in support of which claim, he produced several photographs. He carried about large sums of money in American currency and paid each in all transactions. Nothin, is known to his detriment. Incidentally American Motors received a telephone call from a friend of Lund or Knutsen on October 6 stating that he had received a

cable from Lund to the effect that he was detained in Rangoon and requesting the favourable intervention of H.B.M. Consulate in Shanghai. Further enquiries regarding the friend who did not give his name are being made.

Certified true copy.

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